नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री गुलाम नबी आजाद) : (क) से (घ) पर्यटन से राज्य-वार अर्जन की गई आय आंकने की कोई व्यवस्था नहीं है क्योंकि पर्यटकों से आय सेवा प्रदानकर्ताओं द्वारा प्राप्त की जाती है जो अधिकांशत: निजी सेक्टरों में है । तथापि पर्यटन से अर्जित विदेशी मुद्रा आंकलन भी हैं जिनका पिछले 3 वर्षों का ब्यौरा नीचे दिया गया है :—

वर्ष	अर्जित अनुमानित विदेशी मुद्रा (करोड़ रु० में)	प्रतिशत बदलाव
1992-93	6060.00	—
1993-94	6509.00	7.4
1994-95	7365.61	13.2

(ङ) पर्यटन उद्योग के विकास के लिए सरकार ने विभिन्न उपाय घोषित किए हैं । इनमें से कुछ निम्नलिखित हैं :—

—यात्रा अधिकर्ताओं, टूअर आपरेटरों और होटलों द्वारा विदेशी मुद्रा में अर्जन के लिए आय-कर अधिनियम के तहत कर छूट ।

—टूअर आपरेटरों और यात्रा अधिकर्ताओं द्वारा अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय पर्यटन के विकास के लिए सहायता ।

—होटल परियोजनाओं के लिए मंजूर किए गए ऋणों पर ब्याज-इमदाद ।

—रियायती दरों पर भूमि आवंटन, पूंजी-इमदाद आदि जैसे राज्य सरकार के प्रोत्साहन ।

—होटल और पर्यटन संबंधी उद्योग अब विदेशी पूंजी-निवेश के लिए उच्च प्राथमिकता प्राप्त उद्योग के रूप में घोषित कर दिया गया है ।

Accident prone airport hangars

6840. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION & TOURISM be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 6889 given in Rajya Sabha on 12th May, 1994 and state:

(a) whether Government still maintain that the Air India's hangars at Bombay are not accident prone;

(b) if so, how many accidents/incidents have taken place since 12th May, 1994;

(c) the details of each accident and enquiries held thereon; and

(d) what steps are being taken to avoid these accidents and resulting losses?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) There have been two incidents since 12th May, 1994. In one case Auxiliary Power Unit fell down due to a cable failure and in second case aircraft doors opened in armed position resulting in deployment of escape chute. There was negligible expenditure involved in both the incidents. Instructions have been issued to ensure that even such minor incidents are not repeated.

Construction of Air-strips in Darjeeling

6841. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that construction work of proposed Air-strips for small aircrafts started by the Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council at Tiger-hill and Rungbull in Darjeeling are being abandoned after spending lakhs of rupees;

(b) whether any enquiry has been made on this by Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Airports Authority of India have neither information about commencement of these works nor its subsequent abandonment.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Schemes for development of tourism by Darjeeling Gorkha hill council

6842. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any major scheme for the development of tourism from the Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have taken steps to allot necessary funds as asked for; and

(d) if so the amount of such funds released so far?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) On the basis of complete and eligible proposals received from the State Government, Central financial assistance was sanctioned in respect of the following project/ schemes during the last three years:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Scheme	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1992-93		
1. Augmentation of facilities at Mainak Tourist Lodge, Siliguri .	29.00	14.50
1993-94		
1. Construction of wayside facility at Pashupati	24.14	5.00
1994-95		
1. Tea and Tourism Festival 1993	04.28	4.28
2. Production of Video film on Darjeeling	02.00	2.00

Development of Heritage tourism in Himachal Pradesh

6843. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the concept of heritage toursim has been accepted by all the States in the country;

(b) if so, the names of the States where his concept has been adopted;

(c) whether Himachal Pradesh is one of them; and

(d) if so, the details of the plan being drawn up for the development of this concept in Himachal Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) India has several attractions in the field of tourism such as culture, monuments, fairs and festivals, art and crafts, etc. All these form part of our great national